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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed April 5, 2006, Applicant responds as follows

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.